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1. Between 28 May and 2 June 1951, some of the troops stationed in the barracks installation at Kuestrin-Kietz (O 53/7 66) returned from the artillery range by rail. Four 85-mm AA guns and an undetermined number of motor vehicles [REDACTED] were observed with the troops.
2. The commanding officer in the barracks installation allegedly was Colonel Botvinnikov or Botvinnik (fmu). During the week from 4 to 10 June, two soldiers from the installation deserted and allegedly headed toward Berlin. *

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* [REDACTED] Comment, [REDACTED] the troops who returned to Kuestrin-Kietz were elements of the unidentified AAA Div, possibly the 32d. One Colonel (Arty) Botvinnik (fmu) was mentioned in a broadcast of July 1944. He may be the colonel mentioned in the present report.

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